

THIRTY-SIXTH YEAR
VOL. CL, No. 52.**TWO BATTALIONS
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SOMME FIGHTING****Sensational Battle Is Waged
for Twenty-four Hours in
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of Storm and Sunshine.****DESPERATE DEFENSE
IS MADE BY GERMANS****Associated Press Correspondent Gives Graphic Description of Struggle Precipitated in Western Offensive.****BY MORNING JOURNAL SPECIAL LEASED WIRE**
With the British Armies in France, Aug. 20 (via London)—What two battalions did, and how they did it, was the most thrilling incident of the last twenty-four hours of sensational fighting from the Aisne to the Somme. The struggle went on in treacherous August weather, with alternate cloudiness and flashes of lightning, rain-showers and sunshine.**All along the line from the south of the Aisne the British left their trenches while the French were hard at it on their right. The time chosen was 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon, while the big attacks of July 1 and 14 were in the early morning.****Two battalions were on the left with more guns to help them, probably, than any two battalions that ever made a charge. One hundred cannon were engaged in making a curtain of fire on their front while others were busy with other details of the staff plan. Nothing in the whole offensive was so dramatically staged or came off with greater success.****The Germans still held on in their old first-line trenches where their machine guns brought up from undestroyed dugouts held off the British on July 1, while the British right swung on this section as a pivot through Contaminon and Pouziers to the summit of the ridge, burrowing forward as the guns blazed away.****GERMANS STICK TO DUGOUTS.****Sharp and sharper grew the angle of the new British line to the old German first line until on the map it looked impossible for troops to survive in such a salient. Nevertheless the Germans stuck to those elaborate defenses of nearly two years preparation with dugouts thirty or forty feet underground, reveted traverses and every other detail of protection against all winds of fire which arms still can devise or labor build.****Through galleries running from dugout to dugout the Germans had a highway for bringing up reliefs and food.****They led a regular life. At night those not on guard went to bed in their cellar banks as comfortably as in Palaces and during the day they played cards when not sent out into shell craters to snipe the British. They had their machine guns ready as before, should the British attempt to rush their homes.****Yesterday afternoon the British guns were pounding away as usual at this sector, which is called the Leppis redoubt, when the British tanks, by a new system for taking care of machine guns and with a quick burst of artillery preparation, covering their charge, appeared on the jump through the doors of their dugouts.****As Seen Through Glasses.** Through glasses they were visible to observers running about the maze of traverse like terriers searching for rats—hiding their bayonets gleaming and puffs of smoke rising as they threw their bombs.**In one capacious dugout equipped with beds, tables and cupboards, six officers and 160 men surrendered in a body and marched out after the manner of a crowd caught in a gambling house raided by the police. Some managed to escape from their dugouts by underground galleries. Others who could not escape, though surrounded, tried to man their machine guns and were shot down. Still others fought to the death with bayonets and bombs. It is estimated the 2,000 Germans caught in this trap by less than their own number, were accounted for.****When the Associated Press correspondent left corps headquarters, twelve officers and 600 Germans had been brought in as prisoners, while more were being unearthed from their hiding places. The last of the small parties which held out with a ring of British around them, in brief but ferocious staves, were surrendering. They had hoped for a counter-attack to rescue them. But the British had foreseen this and met it with blasts from artillery and machine guns that had immediately put into position for that purpose.****Prisoners Are Sturdy.** The prisoners who the correspondents saw were of the Twenty-ninth Prussian regiment and were of the sturdiest German soldier type, much superior to those of the Eleventh division, who became disorganized and surrendered freely in front of the Germans recently. They looked well and their uniforms showed few of the usual effects of trench struggles. Some of them laughed over the manner in which they had been trapped; and they were generally very happy, for they had heard what happened to**THE WEATHER****THE WEATHER FORECAST.** Denver, Aug. 20.—New Mexico Monday fair in west, local thunderstorms and somewhat warmer in east portion; Tuesday probably fair, warmer in east portion.**LOCAL WEATHER REPORT.** For twenty-four hours, ending at 4 p.m. yesterday.

Maximum temperature, 84 degrees; minimum, 61, range, 23; temperature at 6 p.m., 72; southwest wind, partly cloudy.

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TO SHOW BIG DECREASE****BY MORNING JOURNAL SPECIAL LEASED WIRE****Rome, Aug. 20.—The International Institute of Agriculture reports that with harvesting very nearly completed in most European countries, indications are that the 1916 world's wheat supply will be almost 25 per cent less than last year's. It is pointed out, however, that 1915 was a bumper year and that the new crop will be nearly up to the average between 1910 and 1912. Harvesting on a large scale is now limited to North America, Great Britain, Russia and some countries.****The world's barley crop is estimated at 20 per cent less than last year, although 5 per cent above the average.****The oats yield is put at 25 per cent less than in 1915, but 15 per cent above the average.****TINPLATE INDUSTRY
TO UNDERGO CHANGE****(Associated Press Correspondence.)****Cardiff, Wales, July 31.—The tinplate industry is about to undergo a reconditioning process owing to the introduction of a new method of tinning and preparing plates for tinning, according to an announcement made by the Mellingthorpe Tinplate works in South Wales. The process, now said to be in successful operation, dispenses with the necessity of white plating, and the white annealed plates, after being separated, are, without handling, taken up by machinery and picked, washed, turned, cleaned and dried. It is asserted that the new method increases the production of tinplates in the proportion of more than two to one as compared with the ordinary process.****Pandolfo Bearing.****Clovis, N. M., Aug. 20.—The heir of S. C. Pandolfo of the Clovis automobile and picnic was held in Portales Saturday in honor of the completion of the new Roosevelt county circuit. Elaborate preparations were made for the event. The Clovis ladies had hand furnished the music for the occasion. Automobiles were placed at the disposal of the visitors who came from miles around, and a trap was made through the valley to see the places of interest. A large crowd was present from Clovis and Texas.****Paralytic Mortality Decreases.****New York, Aug. 20.—Another substantial decrease in the number of deaths from infantile paralysis and in the number of new cases today strengthened the belief of the health authorities that the epidemic is on the wane. There were only twenty deaths here today and 100 new cases, the lowest figures for several weeks. Total fatalities to date are 1,467 and the total cases 5,616. Cases now in hospitals number 3,749.****Soldiers Brutalized in Storm.****El Paso, Tex., Aug. 20.—The wind that accompanied a severe rate and electrical storm this evening blew over a large wooden mess hall in the camp of the Thirty-second Michigan infantry, breaking several men and making the night uncomfortable in all of the military camps in the neighborhood of El Paso. Torrents poured down the streets of the town, tying up the street car service.**

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